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VIA ELECTRONIC MAIL

Raji Josiam Remedial Project Manager US EPA Region 6 1445 Ross Ave, Suite 1200, 6SF-RA Dallas, TX 75202

Re: Access to Off-Site Properties for Remedial Investigation/Feasibility Study at Area of Investigation 1 (AOI-1) of the USOR Superfund Site

Dear Ms. Josiam:

Paragraph 59 of the Administrative Settlement Agreement and Order on Consent (AOC) (effective date of May 14, 2015) for a Remedial Investigation and Feasibility Study (RI/FS) entered between the EPA and the USOR Settling Respondents (the "PRP Group") for the U.S. Oil Recovery Superfund Site requires that the PRP Group use its "best efforts to obtain all necessary access agreements within forty-five (45) days after the Scoping Phase Meeting, or as otherwise specified in writing by the EPA Project Coordinator." The PRP Group has initiated the process of gaining access to properties not owned or controlled by the PRP Group where RI/FS investigation activities are proposed to be performed. However, given the uncertainty at this point in the process with regard to the specific properties for which access will be required, the number of property owners from whom access may potentially be needed, the involved process by which that access must be gained, and the fact that such access will most likely not be required for many months, the PRP Group respectfully requests a letter from you authorizing additional time to complete the process of gaining access to the properties where RI/FS investigation activities are proposed to be performed. The PRP Group anticipates that access can be acquired prior to initiation of the RI/FS field work, which is currently estimated to begin during the first quarter of 2016. Regardless, we will keep you updated on our progress in this effort.

Thank you as always for your assistance. If you have any questions or concerns, please feel free to call me at 512-671-3434.

Sincerely,

Eric F. Pastor

PRP Group Project Coordinator